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SUBJ: CLEARANCE FOR AMCIT TO RECEIVE AUSTRALIAN
ANTARCTIC MEDALLION - DAVID SCHNEIDER, USGS

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING DIPLOMATIC NOTE NO.
1535/13/1 FROM DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS:

QUOTE "THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS
COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND HAS THE HONOUR TO ADVISE THAT THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT
WISHES TO AWARD THE AUSTRALIAN POLAR MEDAL TO AN AMERICAN
CITIZEN, MR. DAVID SCHNEIDER.

"MR. SCHNEIDER, OF 1400 INDEPENDENCE ROAD, ROLLS, MISSOURI,
65401, U.S.A., IS A CARTO-TECHNICIAN GS9 AT THE MID-CONTINENT
MAPPING CENTRE, TOPOGRAPHIC DIVISION, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.
DURING SERVICE IN THE ANTARTIC IN 1974, HE MADE A VALUABLE
CONTRIBUTION TO SCIENTIFIC CO-OPERATION BETWEEN AUSTRALIA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

"THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE EMBASSY WOULD SEEK
ALL UNITED STATES APPROVALS NECESSARY TO PERMIT MR. SCHNEIDER
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TO ACCEPT AND RETAIN THE AWARD. HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN HAS
ALREADY APPROVED THE PROPOSED AWARD OF THE POLAR MEDAL TO MR.
SCHNEIDER. UNQUOTE.

2. DRAWING ON REFAIR, SCIENCE LIAISON OFFICER HAS EXPLAINED
TO DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE (ACTUAL ORIGINATOR OF FORMAL DFA
REQUEST) U.S. POLICY, STRESSING THAT USG REGULATIONS PROHIBIT

EMPLOYEES FROM ACCEPTING GIFTS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES WITH VALUE EXCEEDING US\$100 AND THAT USG ATTACHES IMPORTANCE TO SUPPORTING SUCH AN AWARD WITH STATEMENT SHOWING BASIS FOR AWARD.

3. DOS HAS ASSURED EMBASSY THAT INTRINSIC VALUE OF MEDALLION WELL BELOW US\$100 MAXIMUM. AUSTRALIAN'S PROPOSE PRESENT CERTIFICATE WITH MEDALLION WITH TEXT AS FOLLOWS:

"PRESENTED TO (NAME) IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC RESEARCH EXPEDITION PARTY DURING 1974, DATED BLANK DAY OF BLANK." CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY MINISTER OF SCIENCE, SENATOR WEBSTER AND ANTARCTIC DIVISION DIRECTOR GARROD.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST WHETHER USG GRANTS APPROVAL FOR RETENTION AND WEARING OF THIS DECORATION BY SCHNEIDER.
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